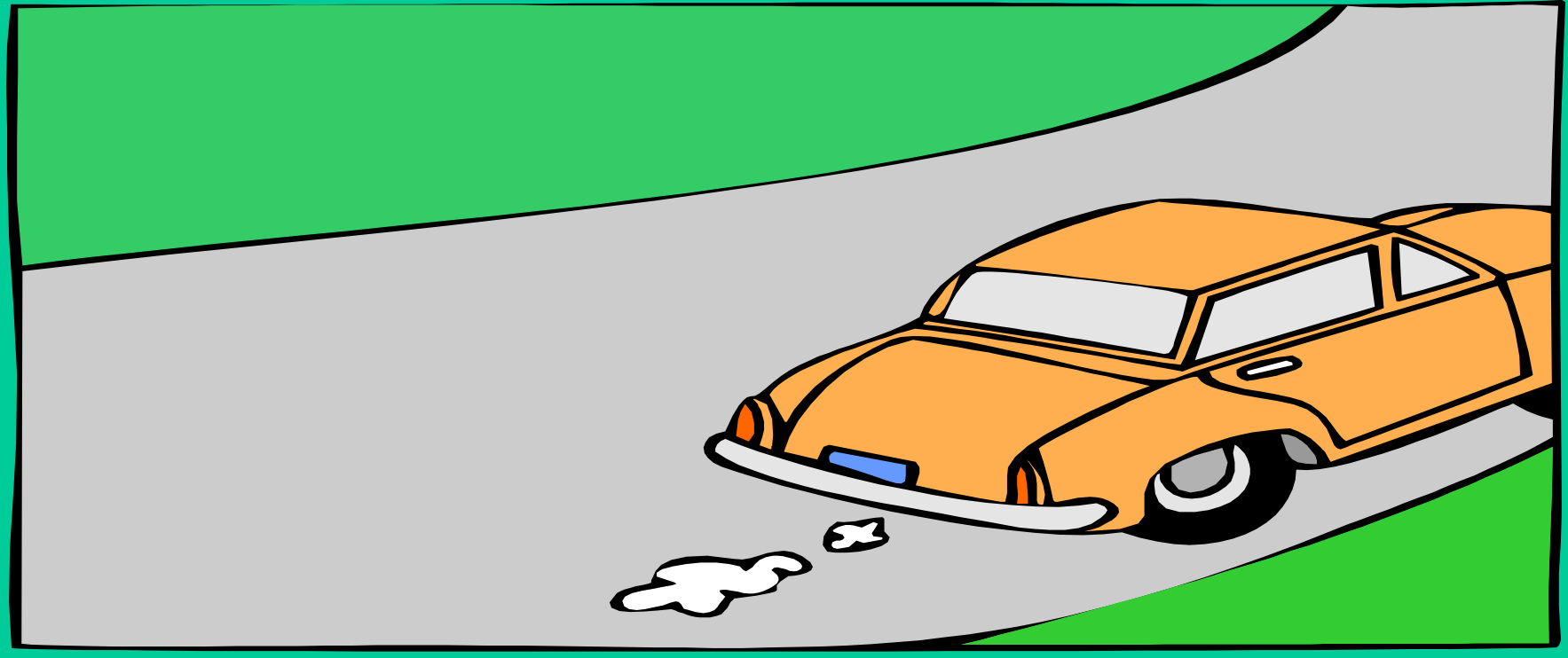
BE PREPARED FOR ANYTHING

It is predicted that driving this Labor Day Weekend will be heavy despite the increase in gas prices. Whether your travels takes you on a last minute vacation or shorter trips in the local area, the key to your safety is to



Here's the facts……you need not fall prey to injury or death at the hands of an errant driver. Remember…there is a possibility of facing a pair of headlights on your side of the road when rounding a curve or you could have a by-chance meeting at an intersection with a speeding car running a red light. You see, ORM does apply off duty……Driving defensively raises the odds in your favor. The remainder of

Always wear seat belts.

Don’t fall for the fatal “short trip” philosophy. Two-thirds of all fatal crashes occur within less than 25 miles of the drivers home.

ORM STEP I

identify the hazard

Don’t drink and drive. **Judgement, perception, and reaction are so affected by relatively small amounts of alcohol that you might get into dangerous situations you would otherwise have avoided.**

ORM STEP II

Assess the risk

Don’t drive when sleepy or tired. **Plan your travels so that you can get adequate sleep. Pull off the road to a safe area and take a short nap if you feel drowsy.**

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ORM STEP III

Don’t drive after dark

if you can avoid it. More than half of all deaths occur during hours of darkness despite far less traffic. If you must drive, cut your speed and increase your awareness. The same goes for adverse weather conditions.

ORM STEP IV

Make control decisions

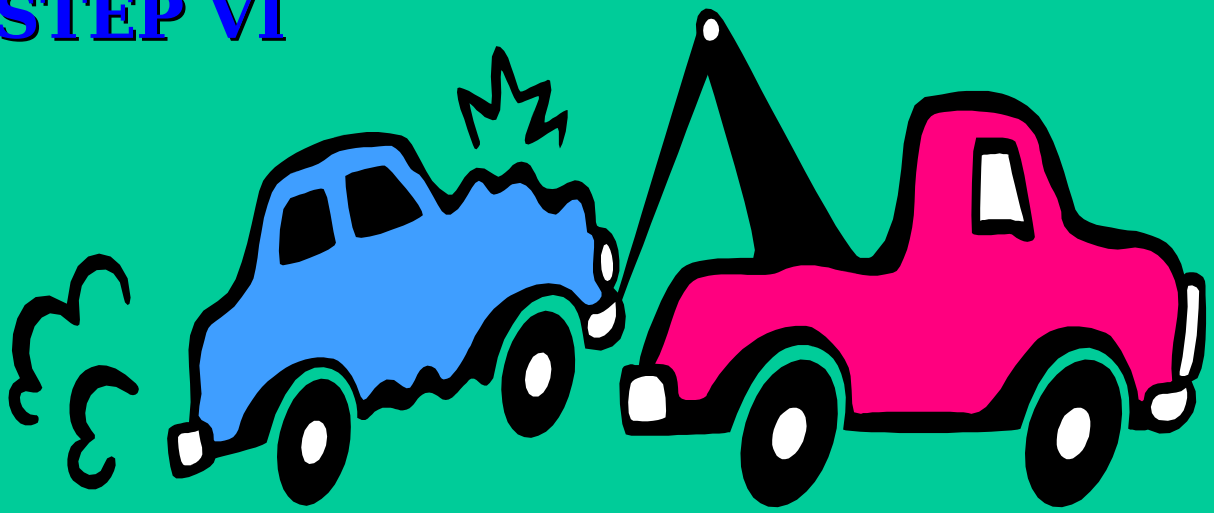
Be careful on hill crests and curves

for cars on the wrong side of the road. Approach with caution and enter curves at reduced speed until you can see the far side of it.

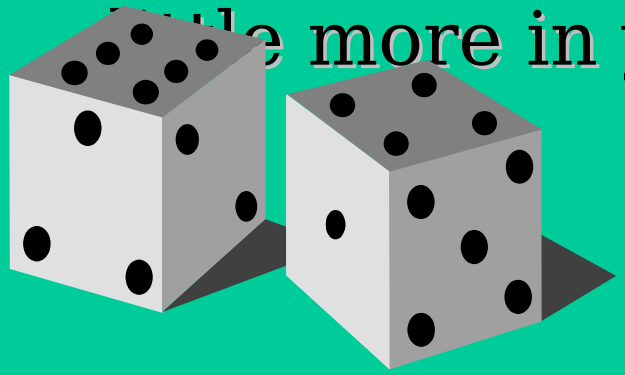
Don’t speed and constantly change lanes. **Drive with the flow of traffic and keep a safe distance behind the car in front. Increase distances in adverse weather.**

Supervise and review

ORM STEP VI



Practice courtesy and Be patience. Rushing in traffic is gambling seconds against lives. If there is any question of someone taking the right-of-way, give it up quickly. You will not get much return on your investment from others, but you shift those survival odds a little more in your favor.



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In short, try not to drive under adverse conditions, stress, influence of drugs (prescription), or alcohol; don't rely upon the cooperation of other drivers; and **Be prepared for anything.**

ORM STEP I-VI

Identify the hazard

Assess the risk

Analyze risk control measures

Make control decisions

Risk control implementation

Supervise and review